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Social Distancing in and around the school site

Dear Parents,

The return to school for our pupils has gone better than I could have possibly hoped and this is down to the children, our amazing staff and you. Thank you.

As the second wave gathers momentum and cases increase every day, we must continue to do our very best to keep the spread of the virus at bay. It's against our very nature not to hug a friend or go close for a chat, but we have to if we are to avoid the possible, dreadful consequences.

In my letter, outlining how pick-ups and drop-offs would work, I urged people not to gather on the pavements. I asked parents to maintain social distancing on the way out of school too. Many of you are doing this, but it's important that we all remind ourselves of how important this is, as we slip back into our familiar habits.

To help you with this, Mr. Gilmurray has marked lines on the alleyway behind the school, which is part of our 1-way system. These lines are 2m apart and so will be a helpful reminder to keep that far apart from the family in front of you. If they are slow walkers, please be patient, it will only take a matter of less than a minute to pass along the route.

We'd also like to encourage you to wear a face-covering, if you can, when you are collecting your children. Many of you already do. Face-coverings are an easy way of reducing the spread of the virus and many of you will be used to wearing them in shops.

We understand that some people cannot wear one and ask that this does not become a point of conflict between parents. Simply, if you are able to wear one, please do so, but respect that others may not be able to do so.

Finally, I'd like to remind all parents that the 'Rule of 6' is now in place nationally and that it includes groups gathering at the beginning or end of school day. This means that no more than 6 people can gather together inside or outside. We love to have to have a chat with our friends, but please make sure you are doing so in a Covid-safe way and avoid blocking the paths approaching the school.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Hawkins
Head Teacher